

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

COMMUTER BIKEWAY SIGNAGE-PHASE II CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 3 VOTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Find that the Commuter Bikeway Signage—Phase II project to enhance commuter bikeway signs on existing bikeways, within existing rights of way, is categorically exempt pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the project is to enhance commuter bikeway signage on existing bikeways throughout the County. The proposed project includes painting street names on overcrossings, the installation of 100 signs identifying bicycle trail entrances, the installation of 28 guide signs for transit and activity centers, and 360 pavement mile markers every quarter mile.

In accordance with the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, we request your concurrence that the proposed project is categorically exempt. A Notice of Exemption will be prepared for the project and posted for public review.

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Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence. By implementing the proposed improvements, residents of the County will be provided with enhanced bikeway signage.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County's General Fund.

The total project cost is estimated at \$336,000. Funding for the preliminary engineering cost in the amount of \$41,000 is included in the proposed Fiscal Year 2006-07 Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 Bikeway Fund Budget. Funding for the construction cost in the amount of \$295,000 will be included in the Fiscal Year 2007-08 Proposition C Local Return Fund Budget. We have secured funding in the amount of \$269,000 in Federal Transportation Enhancement Activities funds to reimburse the TDA Article 3 Bikeway Fund and the Proposition C Local Return Fund. Any expenditure in the Proposition C Local Return Fund not reimbursed by grant funds will be financed with the TDA Article 3 Bikeway Fund.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The recommended finding is in accordance with the CEQA and is required prior to filing the Notice of Exemption with the Registrar-Recorder County Clerk.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The CEQA requires public agency decision makers to document and consider the environmental implications of their action. The project qualifies for a categorical exemption pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Class 1(f) of the County Environmental Guidelines.

Upon approval of the exemption by your Board, a \$25 handling fee will be paid to the Registrar-Recorder County Clerk for filing the Notice of Exemption in accordance with the requirements of Section 21152(a) of the California Public Resources Code.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The project will not have a significant impact on current services or projects currently planned.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office

County Counsel